James C. Miller III, of Virginia, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for the term expiring December 8, 2010.

Neil McPhie, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of

seven years expiring March 1, 2009.

Peter Eide, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of

Stanley C. Suboleski, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term of six years expiring August 30, 2006.

Naomi Churchill Earp, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2005.

William A. Schambra, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring September 14, 2006.

Donna N. Williams, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2006.

Thomas A. Fuentes, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2005.

Lillian R. BeVier, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2004.

R. Bruce Matthews, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2005.

29 Army nominations in the rank of general. Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general. 29 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral. Routine lists in the Marine Corps, Navy.

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Authority for Committees to Meet: Pages S6404-05 **Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—147) Page S6174 Adjournment: Senate met at 9:15 a.m., and adjourned at 12:16 a.m., on Thursday, May 15, 2003 and will reconvene at 9:15 a.m. on the same day. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6226.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the implementation of the Farm Securities and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (P.L. 107-171), including the status of implementation of the Agricultural Assistance Act of 2003 (P.L. 108-7), after receiving testimony from Anne M. Veneman, Secretary of Agriculture, who was accompanied by several of her associates.

APPROPRIATIONS: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOSTER CARE SYSTEM

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the government of the District of Columbia, focusing on the foster care system, after receiving testimony from Judith Sandalow, Children's Law Center, Marilyn R. Egerton, Foster and Adoptive Parent Advocacy Center, Sr. Ann Patrick Conrad, Catholic University of America National Catholic School of Social Service, and Jacqueline Bowen and Joseph Wright, both of Children's National Medical Center, and Damian Miller, all of Washington, D.C.

HEALTH CARE ACCESS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine health care access and affordability and its impact on the economy, focusing on the costs of medical benefits and the implications for business, and the economic consequences of being uninsured, after receiving testimony from John F. Diedrich, Exelon Corporation, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the National Coalition on Health Care; Leo W. Gerard, United Steelworkers of America, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Jack Hadley, Urban Institute, Washington, D.C.; Paul Burrow, Oskaloosa, Iowa; and Ken Weinstein, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from Donald H. Rumsfeld, Secretary of Defense.

SPACE SHUTTLE "COLUMBIA" INVESTIGATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of the Space Shuttle Columbia investigation, after receiving testimony from Sean O'Keefe, Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and Admiral Harold W. Gehman, Jr., USN (Ret.), Chairman, Columbia Accident Investigation Board.

RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: On Tuesday, May 13, 2003, Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded hearings to examine S. 520, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities to the Fremont-Madison Irrigation District in the State of Idaho, S. 625, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to conduct certain feasibility studies in the Tualatin River Basin in Oregon, Š. 649, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in projects within the San Diego Creek Watershed, California, S. 960, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize certain projects in the State of Hawaii and to amend the Hawaii Water Resources Act of 2000 to modify the water resources study, and S. 993, to amend the Small Reclamation Projects Act of 1956, after receiving testimony from Senator Crapo, John W. Keys III, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Joe Findaro, Fremont-Madison Irrigation District, Idaho; Brian Brady, Irvine Ranch Water District, Irvine, California; Chauncey Ching, University of Hawaii, Manoa; and Peter Carlson, Will and Carlson, Inc., Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Small Reclamation Program Act Coalition.

TISSUE BANK REGULATION

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the dangers of tainted human tissue and the need for federal regulation of the tissue bank industry, focusing on registering all tissue establishments with the FDA, screening of potential donors for viruses, and establishing rules for the methods and controls used during the processing of human tissue, after receiving testimony from Steven L. Solomon, Acting Director, Division of

Healthcare Quality Promotion, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Jesse L. Goodman, Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, both to the Department of Health and Human Services; Jeanne V. Linden, Wadsworth Center, New York State Department of Health, Albany; and Steve and Leslie Lykins, Willmar, Minnesota.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- S. 504, to establish academies for teachers and students of American history and civics and a national alliance of teachers of American history and civics:
- S. 686, to provide assistance for poison prevention and to stabilize the funding of regional poison control centers:
- S. 888, to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act;
- S. 1015, to authorize grants through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for mosquito control programs to prevent mosquito-borne disease; and

The nominations of John E. Buchanan, Jr., of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Museum Services Board, Michael Schwartz, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Railroad Retirement Board, and Mary Lucille Jordan, of Maryland, and Stanley C. Suboleski, of Virginia, both to be Members of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

- S. 285, to authorize the integration and consolidation of alcohol and substance abuse programs and services provided by Indian tribal governments, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 344, expressing the policy of the United States regarding the United States' relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;
- S. 555, to establish the Native American Health and Wellness Foundation, with an amendment;
- S. 558, to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services to Assistant Secretary for Indian Health; and
- S. 702, to amend the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend that Act

INDIAN GAMING REGULATORY ACT

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine the implementation of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, focusing on the funding and regulatory activities of the National Indian Gaming Commission, after receiving testimony from Philip N. Hogen, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, on behalf of the National Indian Gaming Commission, who was accompanied by several of his associates; and Ernest L. Stevens, Jr., Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin, Appleton, on behalf of the National Indian Gaming Association.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 2084–2111; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 179–182 and H. Res. 234–235, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 1835, to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to limit designation as critical habitat of areas owned or controlled by the Department of Defense, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 108–99, Part I);

H.R. 1497, to reauthorize title I of the Sikes Act, amended (H. Rept. 108–100, Part I)

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Collins to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. George S. Dillard III, Pastor, Peachtree City Christian Church of Peachtree City, Georgia.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Fruit and Vegetable Pilot Program under the National School Lunch Program: S. 870, to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to extend the availability of funds to carry out the fruit and vegetable pilot program—clearing the measure for the President;

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Kris Eggle Visitor Center in Organ Pipe National Monument, Arizona: H.R. 1577, amended, to designate the visitors' center in Organ Pipe National Monument in Arizona as the "Kris Eggle Memorial Visitors' Center". Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "A bill to designate the visitor center in Organ Pipe National Monument in Arizona as the "Kris Eggle Visitor Center", and for other purposes.";

Lewis and Clark Interpretative Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska Access Easement: H.R. 255, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant an easement to facilitate access to the Lewis and Clark Interpretative Center in Nebraska City, Nebraska;

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Carter G. Woodson Home National Historic Site Establishment Act: H.R. 1012, to establish the Carter G. Woodson Home National Historic Site in the District of Columbia; Pages H4028-31

Contract Revision with the Tom Green County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, San Angelo Project, Texas: H.R. 856, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise a repayment contract with the Tom Green County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, San Angelo project, Texas; and Pages H4031–32

Microenterprise to Increase Assistance to the Poorest People in Developing Countries: H.R. 192, to amend the Microenterprise for Self-Reliance Act of 2000 and the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to increase assistance for the poorest people in developing countries under microenterprise assistance programs under those Acts.

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Pension Security Act: The House passed H.R. 1000, to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional protections to participants and beneficiaries in individual account plans from excessive investment in employer securities and to promote the provision of retirement investment advice to workers managing their retirement income assets by yea-and-nay vote of 271 yeas to 157 nays, Roll No. 189.

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Rejected the George Miller of California motion that sought to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment that provides for protection of participants from conversions to hybrid defined benefit plans by yea-and-nay vote of 202 yeas to 226 nays, Roll No. 188.

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